

# Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: June 13, 2002

To: Transportation and Public Works Committee

Referral to: Ways and Means Committee

Subject: Lyndale Neighborhood Residential Lighting Project

#### Recommendation:

- 1) Passage of a Resolution ordering the City Engineer to proceed and do the work and adopting the special assessments in the amount of \$3,220,000 for the Lyndale Neighborhood Residential Lighting Project.
- 2) Adoption of the Committee Report giving preliminary approval to establish the street lighting project area as Street Lighting District Number 1292. (Chapter 431 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances provides that the City Council shall not give its final approval to the establishment of a Street Lighting District until at least two weeks after giving preliminary approval.)
- 3) Passage of a Resolution increasing the Public Works Transportation Street Lighting Capital appropriation by \$3,220,000 (4100-943-9432) for the Lyndale Neighborhood Residential Lighting Project to be reimbursed by special assessments in the amount of \$3,220,000 (4100-943-9432-3845).
- 4) Passage of a Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation to issue and sell assessment bonds in the amount of \$3,220,000 for the Lyndale Neighborhood Street Lighting Project with the bonds to be paid for from special assessments.

#### **Previous Directives:**

Resolution 2002R-173 passed May 17, 2002 designates improvements

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Approved:	David J. Sonnenberg, P. E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works
Ву:	Greg Finstad
Presenters in	n Committee: Beverly Warmka, Transportation and Parking Services

Fin	ancial Impact
	No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
	(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
_ <u>X</u> _	Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
	Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
<u>X</u>	Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
	Action requires use of contingency or reserves
	Other financial impact (Explain):
ſ	Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

### **Community Impact**

Neighborhood Notification-

Assessment notice letters were sent to each affected property owner, postmarked 2 weeks prior to public hearing. Notice published in Finance and Commerce Neighborhood newsletter and meetings

# **Background/Supporting Information Attached**

## 1. Lyndale Neighborhood Street Lighting Project

The proposed project to install low-level pedestrian scale street lighting and at selected locations high level lights was initiated by the neighborhood and a petition has been received with a 65.3% approval. Low and high level lights will be installed in the residential area bounded by Lyndale Ave and Lake St, and including Stevens Ave and 36<sup>th</sup> St.

The previously submitted cost estimate of \$3,220,000 has not changed. The cost figures are as follows:

Lighting (design and construction)	\$2,975,000
Interim Financing Cost	\$ 245,000
Total	\$3,220,000

The project will be funded by special assessments in the amount of \$3,220,000.

We are requesting an appropriation for the project in the amount of \$3,220,000.

The special assessments were determined by using the street influence zone area method with an assessment rate of approximately \$0.43 per square foot.

The special assessments of more than \$150 would be collected over 20 years beginning on the 2004 real estate tax statements with interest charged at the same rate as the assessment bonds are sold for. The special assessments of \$150 or less would be collected in their entirety on the 2004 real estate tax statements with interest charged

at the same rate as the assessment bonds are sold for. Information has been provided in the Notices as to how persons may prepay the special assessments in full without interest charges if they so choose.

## 2. Street Lighting District Number 1292

As provided in Chapter 431 (Street Lighting) of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, the street lighting project area is proposed to be established as Street Lighting District Number 1292. The annual maintenance and operation costs for this street lighting are standard cost which are paid by the City out of the General Fund. Non-governmental properties exempt from real estate taxes pay for street lighting maintenance and operation costs through special assessments. Chapter 431 provides for a lineal front footage method to determine street lighting maintenance and operation assessments. The assessment rate being used in Street lighting district Number 1292 is \$0.32 per lineal foot.

Former Council Member McDonald gave approval of this project moving forward. We also have the approval of Council Member Lilligren and Council Member Niziolek has been updated on this project.

CC: Council Member Lilligren, Ward 8
Council Member Niziolek, Ward 10
Jack Qvale, Secretary, Board of Estimate and Taxation
Suzette Hjermstad, Special Assessments